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| <p><b>Request<br/>for<br/>Continued Examination (RCE)<br/>Transmittal</b></p> <p>Address to:<br/>Mail Stop RCE<br/>Commissioner for Patents<br/>P.O. Box 1450<br/>Alexandria, VA 22313-1460</p> | <p><b>Application Number</b> 10/647,448-Conf. #1648</p> <p><b>Filing Date</b> August 25, 2003</p> <p><b>First Named Inventor</b> Hiroyuki Kumakura</p> <p><b>Art Unit</b> 1733</p> <p><b>Examiner Name</b> B. J. Musser</p> <p><b>Attorney Docket Number</b> 03310/033001</p> |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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